

REMARKS

This Amendment and Response is in response to the Office Action Restriction Requirement mailed January 19, 2005. In that Office Action, the Examiner issued a restriction requirement between Group I, claims 1-7 and 20-26, drawn to a method and a computer system for disseminating information in a distributed network, classified in class 709, subclass 206; Group II, claims 8-17, drawn to a method for generating a partial view of a network, classified in class 709, subclass 223; Group III, claims 18 and 19, drawn to a method for recovering an isolated node in a network environment, classified in class 709, subclass 232; and Group IV, claims 27-29, drawn to a computer readable medium having stored data structure representing a subscription request for requesting membership, classified in class 709, subclass 225.

Applicants hereby elect Group I (Claims 1-7 and 20-26) for prosecution in this matter. To this end, claims 8-19 and 27-29 are canceled above without prejudice and Applicants specifically reserve the right to file divisional applications on the non-elected Groups. No amendments have been made to the elected claims.

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